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LIST TURNED WEAK IN THE AFTERNOON

Recent Liquidation for Western Account Undermined Whole Market

New York, Jan. 5.—The highly irregular and rather conflicting movement of today's stock market reflected the after effects of the Chicago banking situation and the recent suspension of the prominent wire house. There were many indications of renewed liquidation for the so-called Western account as a result of contraction of loans in connection with the banking developments of the Windy City. There was also evidence of further selling for the accounts of the firm which failed this week. The ultimate result and reactions during the session likewise reflected the divergencies of speculative sentiment and the preponderant professional caliber of the trading. During the morning the general list put up fairly strong resistance, but after midday there was a slipping back all along the line.

At the outset the market was confronted with the unpleasant news of the passing of the General Motors dividend. While this action had been very generally expected and while the decision of the board was accompanied by an illuminating explanation of the company's position, the incident nevertheless was disturbing from a sentimental angle, but as a direct market factor cut little.

In its general character the market strongly suggested something of an adverse nature was overhanging. Just what this fear comprised it would be difficult to determine, although there have been intimations the last few days of some recent suspended wire house troubles involving other interests.

Whether this was anything more than apprehension on that score it would be impossible to say, yet in many maneuvers witnessed during the session it looked very much as if something not altogether pleasant was being developed.

Apart from the General Motors dividend incident, there was little to influence the market much either way. After the erratic gyrations of yesterday and Monday, both the grain and cotton markets experienced similar difficulty in finding a stable level as the stock market. Quotations for the more important foreign exchanges were weaker, German marks showing especial weakness.

The market, however, had one strong supporting influence in the continued easement of the money conditions. The all-call renewal rate was fixed at 5 per cent, but dropped almost immediately to 4½ per cent.

This prompted some concern of the shorts who were somewhat hampered based upon the mounting demand after the close yesterday, is again greatly extended. The buying power otherwise was found to be scant. Reports, however, that progress was being made in the proposed merger of the independent steel companies were accompanied by gains of 1 to 2 points. Railroads followed their recent apathetic course, although the shippers and grantees developed a firmer tone.

The oils turned heavy around midday with Mexican Petroleum, General Asphalt and Standard Oil of New Jersey and California bearing the brunt of the selling movement showing losses of 2 to almost 5 points. The reaction current quickly spread to other quarters, notably the oil stocks which quarter appeared to be still vulnerable.

Lacking support except at marked concessions, further severe losses were sustained throughout the industrial list during the last hour. Oils, motors and equipments were particularly weak and indicated rather wide post liquidation and the uncovering of numerous stops. The market closed weak at the bottom prices of the day.

Commodity Markets

GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, Jan. 5.—A feature in the wheat market today was the limited buying power. The market started easy, as the result of moderate commission offerings. A few minutes later a few local operators, who stamped shorts yesterday, bought heavily and forced another rally. This buying was induced by the request for orders of 1,000,000 bushels No. 1 Northern and No. 2 Amber Durum for seed for Russia.

Milling demand slumped up because of yesterday's advance, but a little wheat was closed on the break today. Minneapolis reported increased flour sales and St. Louis reported an increased milling demand for wheat. A local mill reported buying all of the No. 1 Northern wheat in Chicago, but the amount was very small.

Corn was easier. The feature was the heavy selling of May by a cash holder. It was these offerings which frustrated the attempt of local processors to force a rally. Commodity offerings to arrive were light, but receipts contained good value, notably the opening highest lower closing week.

May 1, 1922, 132½; June 1, 131½; July 1, 130½; Aug. 1, 130; Sept. 1, 129½; Oct. 1, 129; Nov. 1, 128½; Dec. 1, 128; Jan. 1, 127½.

July 1, 1922, 132½; June 1, 131½; May 1, 130½; April 1, 130; March 1, 129½; Feb. 1, 129; Jan. 1, 128½.

Aug. 1, 1922, 132½; July 1, 131½; June 1, 130½; May 1, 130; April 1, 129½; March 1, 129; Feb. 1, 128½; Jan. 1, 127½.

Sept. 1, 1922, 132½; Aug. 1, 131½; July 1, 130½; June 1, 130; May 1, 129½; April 1, 129; March 1, 128½; Feb. 1, 128; Jan. 1, 127½.

Oct. 1, 1922, 132½; Sept. 1, 131½; Aug. 1, 130½; July 1, 130; June 1, 129½; May 1, 129; April 1, 128½; March 1, 128; Feb. 1, 127½; Jan. 1, 127½.

Nov. 1, 1922, 132½; Oct. 1, 131½; Sept. 1, 130½; Aug. 1, 130; July 1, 129½; June 1, 129; May 1, 128½; April 1, 128; March 1, 127½; Feb. 1, 127; Jan. 1, 127½.

Dec. 1, 1922, 132½; Nov. 1, 131½; Oct. 1, 130½; Sept. 1, 130; Aug. 1, 129½; July 1, 129; June 1, 128½; May 1, 128; April 1, 127½; March 1, 127; Feb. 1, 127; Jan. 1, 127½.

Jan. 1, 1923, 132½; Dec. 1, 131½; Nov. 1, 130½; Oct. 1, 130; Sept. 1, 129½; Aug. 1, 129; July 1, 128½; June 1, 128; May 1, 127½; April 1, 127; March 1, 127; Feb. 1, 127; Jan. 1, 127½.

Feb. 1, 1923, 132½; Jan. 1, 131½; Dec. 1, 130½; Nov. 1, 130; Oct. 1, 129½; Sept. 1, 129; Aug. 1, 128½; July 1, 128; June 1, 127½; May 1, 127; April 1, 127; March 1, 127; Feb. 1, 127; Jan. 1, 127½.

Mar. 1, 1923, 132½; Feb. 1, 131½; Jan. 1, 130½; Dec. 1, 130; Nov. 1, 129½; Oct. 1, 129; Sept. 1, 128½; Aug. 1, 128; July 1, 127½; June 1, 127; May 1, 126½; April 1, 126; March 1, 126; Feb. 1, 126; Jan. 1, 126½.

Apr. 1, 1923, 132½; Mar. 1, 131½; Feb. 1, 130½; Jan. 1, 130; Dec. 1, 129½; Nov. 1, 129; Oct. 1, 128½; Sept. 1, 128; Aug. 1, 127½; July 1, 127; June 1, 127; May 1, 126½; April 1, 126; March 1, 126; Feb. 1, 126; Jan. 1, 126½.

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